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Public Notice: Draft Access Monitoring Review Plan

The MO HealthNet Division is seeking comments regarding the Draft Access Monitoring Review Plan (AMRP) as required with Federal regulations at 42 CFR §§447.203-204, implementing section 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Social Security Act (the Act), requiring states to analyze data and supporting information to document that fee-for-service Medicaid payment rates are sufficient to enroll enough providers so that covered services are accessible under the state plan as compared to the general population in the geographic area.

The AMRP has been revised to include changes to the Nursing Facilities rate reductions as follows:

Nursing facilities and HIV nursing facilities with either an interim rate or a prospective rate in effect on August 1, 2017, will be subject to a decrease in their per diem rate effective for dates of services August 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018, of \$5.37. The per diem adjustment shall be deducted from the facility's current rate as of July 31, 2017, and is effective for dates of service beginning August 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018. Effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2018, the per diem decrease shall be reduced to \$4.83. A per diem adjustment of \$0.54 shall be added to the facility's current rate as of June 30, 2018, which includes the \$5.37 decrease, and is effective for dates of service beginning July 1, 2018. This decrease is contingent upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

The estimated savings from the global per diem adjustments to nursing facility and HIV nursing facility reimbursement rates for state fiscal year 2018 is \$47.1 million.

The AMRP is available for review at https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/alerts~public-notices.htm. Comments must be received by January 22, 2018.

Comments may be emailed or sent by mail to the following address. Please use the subject line "Public Comment for AMRP - Nursing Facilities."

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